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Annual Reports
of
Town Officers and Committees

for the Town of

SPRINGFIELD
NEW HAMPSHIRE

including Vital Statistics
for the year

1996

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TOWN MEETING BALLOTING

Tuesday, March 11, 1997 • Town Hall • 11 A.M. to 7 P.M.

CONTINUATION OF TOWN MEETING

Saturday, March 15, 1997 • Town Hall • 9:30 A.M.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Governor

Jeanne Shaheen

Representative

Charles Bass

U.S. Senators

Judd Gregg

Robert Smith

State Senator

Jim Reubens

State Representative District 2

Merle W. Schotanus

State Representative District 3

Richard C. Leone

Executive Council

Raymond S. Burton

Sullivan County Sheriff

Michael L. Prozzo Jr.

Sullivan Country Attorney

Marc B. Hathaway

Sullivan Country Treasurer

Peter R. Lovely Sr.

Sullivan Country Register of Deeds

Sharron A. King

Sullivan Country Register of Probate

Diane M. Davis

Commissioner District 1

Donald B. Fontaine Sr.

Commissioner District 2

Joan R. MacConnell

TOWN PERSONNEL

Moderator

Thomas Wade Term Expires 1997

Town Clerk

Cynthia Anderson Term Expires 1997

Deputy Town Clerk

Robert E. Moore

Selectmen

Deborah L. Coffin Term Expires 1997

Constance A. Jones Term Expires 1998

Louise B. Jacewicz Term Expires 1999

Secretaries to the Board of Selectmen

Robert E. Moore

Gertrude Heath

Supervisors of the Checklist

Dorothy Anderson Term Expires 1998

Sue Anderson Term Expires 2000

Susan Carpenter Term Expires 2002

Auditor

Richard Petrin Term Expires 1997

Civil Defense Director / Emergency Management

Frank Anderson

Custodian

Sue Anderson

Fire Chief

Robert Donnelly

Town Treasurer

Maryanne Petrin Term Expires 1997

Deputy Treasurer

Amelia W. Anderson

Police Department

James Benoit, Police Chief

Peter Cosgrove

Clarence R. Howard

Michael Wright

Representative to the General Court

Merle Schotanus

Representatives to Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Council

William Sullivan George Thomson

Health Office

Ronald Denman

Representative to Solid Waste District

Linda Collins

Representative to Sullivan County Engineering Review Council

George Thomson

Road Agent

Russell LeBrecht

Tax Collector

Robert E. Moore Term Expires 1997

Deputy Tax Collector

Cynthia Anderson

Library Trustees

Janice Patten Term Expires 1999

Alice Nulsen Term Expires 1998

Janet Roberts Term Expires 1997

Planning Board

Janet Booker Term Expires 1999

Donald Garlock Term Expires 1998

Gertrude Heath, Secretary

Sherman Heath Term Expires 1998

Constance A Jones, Selectman

Rick Kidder Jr. Term Expires 1999

Robert Z. Klein, Chairman Term Expires 1997

Darrin Patten Term Expires 1999

Kenneth Rodgers, Alternate Term Expires 1998

William Sullivan, Alternate Term Expires 1997

George Thomson, Alternate Term Expires 1999

Trustees of Trust Funds

Cora Bresnahan Term Expires 1999

Carlisse Clough Term Expires 1997

Beverly McIntire Term Expires 1998

Budget Committee

Jay Booker Term Expires 1997

Gertrude Heath, Secretary

William Huntoon Term Expires 1999

Kenneth Jacques Term Expires 1999

Rick Kidder Jr. Term Expires 1997

Bernard Manning, Chairman Term Expires 1997

Darrin Patten Term Expires 1997

Malcolm Patten Term Expires 1998

Maryanne E. Petrin Term Expires 1998

Alan Vassar Term Expires 1998

Cemetery Trustees

Sue Anderson	Appointed 1/21/97
Frank Anderson	Term Expires 1999
David Patten	Term Expires 1997
Grace Patten	Term Expires 1998

Conservation Commission

Cynthia Bruss, Chairman	Term Expires 1997
Boris Bushueff	Term Expires 1997
Thomas Duling	Term Expires 1998
Gertrude Heath, Secretary	
Constance A. Jones, Selectman	
Kenneth Jacques	Term Expires 1999
Daphne Klein	Term Expires 1998
Jon Poston	Term Expires 1998
Alan Vassar	Term Expires 1999
Kevin Whitcavitch	Term Expires 1999

Kearsarge Regional School District

Budget Survey Committee

Brad Wise

Fire Warden and Deputies

Robert Donnelly, Fire Chief	Kenneth Rodgers
Wesley Charles	Richard C. Walker
Dallas M. Patten	

Librarian

Celeste Klein

Welfare Director

Cora Bresnahan

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Deborah L. Coffin, Selectman	
Henry Gagnon	Term Expires 1998
Gertrude Heath, Secretary	
Bruce Jasper	Term Expires 1999
Daphne Klein	Term Expires 1997
Janet Booker, Planning Board Representative	
Gordon McKinnon	Term Expires 1998
Jeff Milne	Term Expires 1997
Charles K. Nulsen	Term Expires 1997
Gary Robinson, Chairman	Term Expires 1999
John Graham	Term Expires 1999

School Representative

John Rego Perrotta

Sunapee Transfer Recycling Study Committee

Nancy Vandewart

Town Building Committee

Frank Anderson

Steven Bailey

Fred Davis, Chairman

Todd Elgin

Wolfgang Heinberg

Louise B. Jacewicz, Selectman

Celeste Klein

Malcolm Patten

Kenneth Rodgers

Brad Wise

Recreation Committee

Lori Coleman, Chairman

Carol Rollinson

Richard Rollinson

Maureen Graham

Mark Coleman

Shane Anderson

Thomas Anderson

Louise B. Jacewicz, Selectman

Beth Dombrowski

Brian Dombrowski

Jeannette Mercado

Joseph Mercado

Nancee Leach

Julian Leach

Susan Carpenter

Lawrence Carpenter

Springfield Kindergarten Trustees

Nancy Edgar-Howard, President

Janet Booker, Vice President

Alison Shores and Kim Patten, Co-Secretaries

Cheryl Wood, Treasurer

Pam Laurie and Beth Dombrowski, Members-At-Large

Deborah L. Coffin, Selectman

Suzanne Winchester, Director and Teacher

Resignations

Grace Patten, Cemetery Trustee

Brad Wise, Kearsarge Reg. Sch. Dist. Budget Survey Comm.

Thomas Duling, Health Officer

Thomas Duling, Conservation Commission

Christopher Scott, Recreation Committee

1996 TOWN STATISTICS & INFORMATION

CID NUMBER: 012

COUNTY: Sullivan

LABOR MARKET AREA: Claremont

DISTANCE TO:

Manchester, NH: 60 miles

Boston, MA: 120 miles

New York, NY: 400 miles

Montreal, Canada: 210 miles

ELEVATION: 1440 feet

TEMPERATURE (°F):

Annual Average: 45.0°

January Average: 18.2°

July Average: 69.0°

PRECIPITATION: Annual Average: 36.0 in.

DEMOGRAPHICS

POPULATION	1995	1990	1980	1970
Community	847	788	532	310
County	39,410	38,592	36,063	30,949

1990 POPULATION BY AGE:

5 and under	60
6 to 17	135
18 to 29	121
30 to 59	327
60 to 69	77
70 and Over	68

INCOME (1990)

Per Capita Income: 15,625

Median Household Income: 35,000

LABOR FORCE (1990)

Total Workers Employed: 401

Labor Force Participation Rate:

Male: 75.8%; Female: 61.9%

Labor Force Education Levels:

High School and Higher Graduates: 76.1%

Bachelor's Degree and Higher: 23.9%

EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP (1990)

Executive/Administrative/Managerial: 28

Professional Specialty: 56

Technician/Related Support: 0

Sales Workers: 46

Administrative Support/Clerical: 54

Private Household: 3

Protective Service: 5

Services, Other: 60

Farming/Forestry/Fishing: 13

Precision Production/Craft/Repair: 74

Machine Operators/Assemblers: 27

Transportation/Material Moving: 17

Handlers/Helpers/Laborers: 18

COMMUTING PATTERNS (1990)

Mean Travel Time To Work (minutes): 25.88

Percent of Residents Working in Community: 18.9%

Percent of Residents Commuting Elsewhere: 81.1%

Percent of Nonresidents Commuting In: 63.9%

LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Hemphill Power

Durgin-Crowell

Evarts

Twin Lake Villa

PRODUCT/SERVICE

Electrical generation

Lumber mill

Kiln drying

Resort

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Town Hall Hours: M-F 10-12 & 1-4; Th 4-8

Type of Government: Selectmen

Fiscal Year: 95

Budget (Annual): 618,414

Expenditure/Capita: 966.73

Planning Board: Elected

Zoning: 1987/93

Master Plan: 1988

Capital Improvement Plan: 1995

Full-Time Police Department: Yes

Full-Time Fire Department: No

Town Fire Insurance Rating: 6/9

TAXES (1996)

Local Property Tax Rate (per thousand): \$19.15

Assessment Ratio: 1.19

Full-Value Property Tax (per thousand): \$23.72

1996 Valuation:

Residential: 89.07%; Commercial: 8.15%; Other: 2.78%

HOUSING (1995)

Single-Family Units: 438

Number of Building Permits: 6

Multi-Family Units: 10

Number of Building Permits: 0

Mobile Homes: 79

Median Gross Rent: 322

Median Housing Costs: 107,700

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier: PSNH/NH Electric Coop

Natural Gas Supplier: None

Water Supplier: Private

Sanitation Sewer: Private

Telephone Company: NYNEX/Kearsarge Tel.

Telephone Switching: Digital

Cellular Phone Access: Yes

Cable Television: No

TRANSPORTATION/ACCESS

Road Access: Federal Routes: 114; State Routes: 4A

Nearest Interstate: I-89, Exit 12A; Distance: 5 miles

Railroad: None

Nearest Airport: Lebanon

Runway: 5495 feet; Lighted: Yes; Navigational Aids: Yes

Nearest Commercial Airport: Lebanon; Distance: 16 mile

MEDICAL & HEALTH

Nearest Hospital: New London, New London

Distance: 8 miles; Beds: 35

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

District Students Attend: Kearsarge Regional School System, Sutton;
Distance: 15 miles

Nearest Technical College: Claremont Comm/Tech College

Nearest College/University: Colby-Sawyer/Magdalen/Lebanon/Dartmouth

COMMUNITY SERVICES & RECREATION

Protestant Churches: 1

Hotels/Motels: 1

Library: Libbie A. Cass Memorial

Municipal Parks: 1

Golf Courses: 1

Nearest Ski Areas: Mount Sunapee

Other Recreation: Lake

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Springfield Board of Selectmen

Trudy Heath, Administrative Assistant, PO Box 22, Springfield, NH 03284

Telephone: (603) 763-4805 / Fax Number (603) 763-3336

TELEPHONE CONTACTS

Emergency Only	911
Police	763-3100
Fire	643-2222
Ambulance	763-3100
Selectmen	763-4805 or 9015
Town Garage	763-2829
FAST Squad	763-3100

OFFICE HOURS

Town Clerk 763-4805 or 9015

Tax Collector 763-4805 or 9015

Winter Hours: Monday thru Friday: 10 AM to 12 Noon and 1 PM to 4 PM

Also Thursday 4 PM to 8 PM

Summer Hours: (June, July and August Only):

Monday thru Thursday: 9 AM to 12 Noon and 1 PM to 4 PM

Also Thursday 4 PM to 8 PM

Planning Board Secretary 763-4805 or 9015

Sunapee Transfer Station 763-4381
 Hours: Sunday: 8 AM to 12 Noon;
 Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday: 8 AM to 4:30 PM;
 Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays
 Vehicle Sticker Required

Historical Society – As Programmed

Kindergarten 763-9051

Library Hours: 763-4381

Tuesday: 3-7 PM; Thursday: 3-7 PM; Friday 3-5 PM

Meeting Schedule:

Selectmen Monday, 7 PM

Planning Commission 3rd Thursday Monthly,
 7 PM

Zoning Board of Adjustment 1st Wednesday
 Monthly, 7 PM

Recreation Committee When Called

Conservation Board 2nd Thursday, 7 PM

Fire Department When Called

Historical Society As Programmed



Left to right: Kristina Huntoon, Megan Wood, Katie Laurie.
 Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN WARRANT

The Polls will be Open from 11:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Article 1

To choose all necessary Town Officials for the year ensuing. **NOTE:** By law, the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 11 o'clock for the consideration of Articles 1 and 2 only. At 12 noon the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open until 7 p.m.. The meeting will reconvene at the Town Hall on Saturday, March 15, 1997 at 9:30 a.m. to act on Articles 3 through 11.

Article 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article IV shall be amended by the insertion of paragraphs F and G after paragraph E.

F. Sludge Application:

Sludge may be applied to fields in the Town of Springfield as fertilizer for agricultural purposes under the following conditions:

1. All Federal and State requirements for such applications are met including, but not limited to, requirements for permits, amount per acre, times, and method of incorporation into soils.

2. One application of sludge only is permitted during the time specified in State and Federal regulations each year.

3. The Zoning Board is notified in writing at least 30 days before proposed application of sludge and an announcement of the proposed application of sludge and its date is posted by at least an eight by eleven inch placard on each of the property boundaries which are within 400 feet of the area to be fertilized.

G. Septage Application:

Septage may be spread in the Town of Springfield only in area or areas designated by the Town for this purpose. Access to this area(s) shall be controlled and supervised by the appropriate Town or State authorities who may promulgate further rules and regulations.

1. All such septage shall be from households or facilities within the Town. A written and signed assurance of local origin of the septage by the householder must be received by the Town Agent.

2. The septage shall be treated and spread as specified in State and Federal regulations.

Yes or No Paper Ballot (Majority Vote Required).

Article 3

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,348 to buy a 1994 Galion Motor Grader and to authorize the withdrawal of \$8,348 from the December 31, 1996 Fund Balance with the remaining amount of \$90,000 to be financed through a three-year loan. (The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation). 2/3 Ballot Vote Required.

Article 4

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for an update and data entry of all land and buildings in Springfield and to authorize the withdrawal of said thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. This update to be done during 1997 and to become effective April 1, 1998.
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this warrant article).
Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 5

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,770 for the purpose of repair to the following town buildings:

Town Office Building	– Siding of Back	– \$5425
Town Hall	– Chimney	– 1200
	Stone Wall Repair	– 975
F-H-S Building	– Meeting Room	– 4170

This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or for two years, whichever is less.
(The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this warrant article).
Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 6

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Fire Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.)
Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 7

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell land acquired in 1993, 1994 and 1996 for tax default. Land to be sold to the highest bidder. Selectmen reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

1. Map 45 Lot 243-475 - Peterson Land - 7 Acres - Valued at \$7,300.
2. Map 48 Lot 487-225 - Levesque Land - 2.6 Acres - Valued at \$16,250.
3. Map 31 Lot 518-400 - Lot 81 Eastman - Our House Development Corp. Land - 1.04 Acres - Valued at \$12,800.
4. Map 31 Lot 518-400 - Lot 13 Eastman - Brady Land - 1.09 Acres - Valued at \$11,250.

5. Map 31 Lot 352-393 - Lot 9 Eastman - Ondis Land - 3.09 Acres - Valued at \$10,400.

Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal and further to require that prior to the acceptance of any such gift, valued at over \$5,000, the public library trustees shall hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance.

Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 9

Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Springfield, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$20,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$40,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$18,400 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$26,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. This modification will be effective for the 1998 tax year.

Yes or No Ballot. Use of Checklist.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the old Fire Station and the accompanying land to the highest bidder or "as justice may require". The Selectmen reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

Map 29 Lot 553-192 Fire Station and land, .25 acres, land valued at \$15,400. Building valued at \$10,000.

Yes or No Majority Vote.

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$628,072 or as amended, which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

Yes or No Majority Vote.

Budget for the Town of Springfield, N.H.
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997, to December 31, 1997

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Selectmen's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee Recommended Ensuing Fiscal Year	Not Recommended
RSA 31:4					
General Government					
Executive	\$ 55,290	\$ 57,145	\$ 59,040	\$ 59,040	\$
Elections, Registration					
& Vital Statistics	6,800	6,765	6,750	6,750	
Financial Administration	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Revaluation of Property	6,650	9,123	5,900	5,900	
Legal Expense	6,000	4,019	6,000	6,000	
Personnel Administration	41,910	43,760	41,729	41,729	
Planning & Zoning	2,150	502	4,850	4,850	
General Government Bldgs.	28,090	31,318	43,830	43,830	
Cemeteries	5,075	4,457	5,700	5,700	
Insurance	15,000	17,624	18,000	18,000	
Advertising &					
Regional Assoc.	750	733	750	750	
Kindergarten	15,579	15,670	19,340	18,000	1,340
Public Safety					
Police	48,000	40,386	50,950	50,950	
Ambulance	1,809	1,809	683	683	
Fire	18,000	19,561	14,570	14,570	
Building Committee	1,300	0	1,300	1,300	
Emergency Management	125	32	100	100	
FAST Squad	3,200	591	6,500	6,500	
Highways and Streets					
Administration &					
Highways & Street	180,600	178,077	194,000	185,000	9,000
Bridges	0	0	15,000	15,000	
Street Lighting & Other	3,500	4,115	4,200	4,200	
Sanitation					
Administration &					
Solid Waste Collection	70,000	70,000	62,000	62,000	
Landfill	12,500	12,500	0		
Water Distribution & Treatment					
Administration &					
Water Services	600	801	850	850	
Health					
Administration &					
Pest Control	600	608	700	700	
Health Agencies &					
Hospitals & Other	4,966	4,016	4,825	4,825	
Welfare					
Administration &					

Direct Assistance	3,300	2,140	3,375	3,375	
Intergov. Welfare Payments	300	0	300	300	
Culture & Recreation					
Parks & Recreation	4,000	3,572	5,000	5,000	
Library	5,600	5,600	6,000	6,000	
Patriotic Purposes	600	432	700	700	
Conservation					
Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources	600	600	250	250	
Debt Service					
Princ.-Long Term Bonds & Notes	15,000	15,000	30,000	30,000	
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	1,020	1,020	4,220	4,220	
Interest on TANs	12,000	8,937	<u>11,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>	
Operating Transfers Out					
To Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	20,000			
To Expendable Trust Funds	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>			
Subtotal	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000			
Special Warrant Article					
Building Renovation	8,000	3,060			
Fire/Highway Complex	7,500	14,926			
Subtotal Recommended			\$638,412	\$628,072	
RSA 32:3 VI					
Purchase of Grader			98,348	98,348	
Nonlapsing Town Building Repairs			11,770	11,770	
Capital Reserve Fire			10,000		10,000
Update Revaluation			<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	
Subtotal Recommended			\$150,118	\$140,118	

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year
Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 3,360	\$ 3,660	\$ 3,500
Yield Taxes	12,000	11,256	12,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	200,000	200,000	200,000
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	12,580	14,085	13,000
Inventory Penalties	2,280		2,200
Licenses, Permits & Fees			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	80,000	99,509	90,000
Building Permits	200	265	200
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	3,000	3,428	2,000
From Federal Government			
COPS	26,350	28,267	25,400
From State			
Shared Revenues	10,477	22,090	10,500
Highway Block Grant	34,370	34,370	37,692
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	6,376	6,376	6,376
Other	10,915	10,973	8,560
From Other Government			
Charges for Services			
Income from Departments	1,400	1,690	1,500
Other Charges		5,666	
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	12,025	12,219	10,000
Interest on Investments		5,989	
Other	900	4,294	
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
Special Revenue Funds	416,233	464,152	422,628
Capital Reserve Fund			30,000
Other Financing Sources			
Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes			90,000
Amounts Voted from "Surplus"		37,000	8,348
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		35,200	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$416,233	\$494,828	\$550,976

Budget Summary	Selectmen	Budget Committee
Subtotal 1 Recommended	\$638,412	\$628,072
Subtotal 3 Special Warrant Articles	<u>150,118</u>	<u>140,118</u>
Total Appropriations Recommended	\$788,530	\$768,190
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues	<u>-550,976</u>	<u>-550,976</u>
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	\$237,554	\$217,214

SELECTMEN'S REPORT - 1996

1996 was certainly a year of plenty to do with ongoing activities. We are so grateful for all the wonderful citizens who volunteer on various boards during the year; there are many hours involved, and we thank you. The Planning Board keeps busy with subdivisions, annexations, and site plan reviews. We welcomed three new businesses to the community this year - Media Duplications & Assembly, Inc., Metric Motors, and O'Day's Garage. The Zoning Board stays involved with variances and special exceptions. Much time was spent in 1996 and continues in 1997 with differences regarding a septage disposal site. The Recreation Department continues to provide events for us, particularly for the young people. The Conservation Commission is actively working on indexing the wetlands in town and is contemplating some cleanup work at Royal Arch. The Building Committee was reactivated this year to help us analyze the town's building needs.

Here at the town office, we continue to work for you. Some issues that never seem to end are solid waste, deregulation of electric utilities, schools, and septage/sludge. Locally we have been very busy with the new fire-highway-safety building, planning for revaluation, major damage to roads due to storms, budgeting, and trying to keep your tax rate down.

At this time we would like to pause and think of you - the people, the families. As we welcome new people and say goodbye to others, we think of two exceptional women we lost this year. Hazel Patten died in May after a lifetime dedicated to family, teaching, and service to her town and church. She certainly left a wonderful legacy with the generations of Pattens who continue to live in and serve the town of Springfield. Just shy of her 102nd birthday, Mildred Adams Downey died in August. Being a summer resident from the early age of four, she and Fairfax moved here permanently in 1954. Easy become a vital part of our community.

In closing we say thank you to all our town employees and volunteers, but we particularly say thank you to the citizens of Springfield who make our community the special place it is.

Deborah L. Coffin, Chairman
Constance A. Jones
Louise B. Jacewicz

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended	Overdraft
General Government						
Executive	\$ 55,290.00	\$ 709.00	\$ 55,999.00	\$ 57,146.00	\$	\$ 1,147.00
Elections	6,800.00	100.00	6,900.00	6,765.00	135.00	
Financial Admin.	10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00		
Revaluation of Property	6,650.00	200.00	6,850.00	9,123.00		2,273.00
Legal Expense	6,000.00		6,000.00	4,019.00	1,981.00	
Employee Benefits	41,910.00	10,913.00	52,823.00	43,759.00	9,064.00	
Planning and Zoning	2,150.00	1,708.00	3,858.00	502.00	3,356.00	
General Government Bldgs.	28,090.00	570.00	28,660.00	31,318.00		2,658.00
Cemeteries	5,075.00	173.00	5,248.00	4,457.00	791.00	
Insurance	15,000.00		15,000.00	17,624.00		2,624.00
Advertising and Regional Assn.	750.00		750.00	733.00	17.00	
Regional Assn. Kindergarten	15,579.00	400.00	15,979.00	15,670.00	309.00	
Building Committee	1,300.00		1,300.00		1,300.00	
Public Safety						
Police	48,000.00	400.00	48,400.00	40,386.00	8,014.00	
Ambulance	1,809.00		1,809.00	1,809.00		
Fire Department	18,000.00	75.00	18,075.00	19,561.00		1,486.00
Emergency Management	125.00		125.00	32.00	93.00	
FAST Squad	3,200.00		3,200.00	592.00	2,608.00	
Highway and Streets						
Highway and Streets	180,600.00	25,208.00	205,808.00	178,078.00	27,730.00	
Street Lighting	3,500.00		3,500.00	4,116.00		616.00
Sanitation						
Sunapee Transfer Station	82,500.00		82,500.00	82,500.00		
Water						
Hydrants	450.00		450.00	450.00		
Mileage Reimbursement	100.00		100.00	43.00	57.00	
Water Testing	50.00		50.00	308.00		258.00
Health						
Animal Control	600.00		600.00	608.00		8.00
Visiting Nurse	2,766.00		2,766.00	2,766.00		
Council on Aging	500.00		500.00	500.00		
Hospitals	700.00		700.00	700.00		
Immunization/Drug Testing	1,000.00		1,000.00	50.00	950.00	
Welfare						
Direct Assistance	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,915.00	1,085.00	
Welfare Director	300.00		300.00	225.00	75.00	
Sullivan Cty. Nutrition	300.00		300.00		300.00	

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended	Overdraft
Culture and Recreation						
Park and Recreation	4,000.00	428.00	4,428.00	3,572.00	856.00	
Library	5,600.00		5,600.00	5,600.00		
Patriotic Purposes	600.00		600.00	432.00	168.00	
Conservation						
Conservation	600.00		600.00	600.00		
Debt Service						
Principal Long Term						
Bonds and Notes	15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00		
Interest Long Term						
Bonds and Notes	1,020.00		1,020.00	1,020.00		
Interest on TAN	12,000.00		12,000.00	8,938.00	3,062.00	
Capital Outlay						
Fire/Highway Garage						
Complex	7,500.00		7,500.00	14,926.00		7,426.00
Town Hall Renovation	8,000.00		8,000.00	3,060.00	4,940.00	
Operating Transfers Out						
Revaluation Capital Res.	20,000.00		20,000.00	20,000.00		
Expendable Trust	<u>2,000.00</u>		<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>		
TOTALS	\$618,414.00	\$40,884.00	\$659,298.00	\$610,903.00	\$66,891.00	\$18,496.00
TOTAL OVERDRAFT					<u>- 18,496.00</u>	
NET UNEXPENDED					\$48,395.00	

COMPARISON OF TAX RATES, PROPERTY VALUES AND EXEMPTIONS 1994-1995-1996

Account Budget	1995	1996
Town	\$ 636,810.00	\$ 618,414.00
School	963,700.00	1,025,415.00
County	201,510.00	184,373.00
Veterans Exemption	9,900.00	9,700.00
Overlay	<u>-9,041.00</u>	<u>2,279.00</u>
TOTALS	\$1,820,961.00	\$1,840,181.00
Less Revenue	434,253.00	488,933.00
Less Shared Revenue	<u>10,708.00</u>	<u>3,472.00</u>
NET PROPERTY TAX REQUIRED	\$1,376,000.00	\$1,347,776.00

Tax Rate	1995	1996
	$\frac{\$ 1,376,000.00}{\$69,284,980.00} = 19.86$	$\frac{\$ 1,347,776.00}{\$70,379,971.00} = 19.15$

Comparative Tax Rate	1995	1996
Town	\$ 3.15	\$ 2.08
School	13.82	14.47
County	<u>2.89</u>	<u>2.60</u>
TOTAL	\$19.86	\$19.15

PROPERTY VALUES 1996

LAND (TOTAL AD VALOREM)	\$ 52,259,909.00
BUILDINGS	35,861,755.00
UTILITIES	<u>954,238.00</u>
TOTALS	\$ 89,075,902.00

EXEMPTIONS

CURRENT USE (VALUATION LOSS)	\$ 13,093,671.00
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	798,350.00
TOWN, STATE, PROP. ETC.	<u>4,803,910.00</u>
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS	\$ 18,695,931.00
NET EVALUATION	\$ 70,379,971.00

Current Use

Total Number of Property Owners Receiving C.U.	127	134
Total Number of Acres Exempted	12,581	12,506

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996

REVENUES

Revenue from Taxes

Property Taxes	\$1,338,928
* Taxes Paid to School Districts	989,100
Land Use Change Taxes	5,010
Yield Taxes	14,552
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	200,000
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	<u>14,085</u>
TOTAL	2,561,675

Revenues from Licenses, Permits, and Fees

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	99,509
Building Permits	265
Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	<u>2,869</u>
TOTAL	102,643

Revenue from the Federal Government

COPS Federal Reimbursement	<u>28,267</u>
TOTAL	28,267

Revenue from the State of New Hampshire

Shared Revenue Block Grant	22,090
Highway Block Grant	34,370
State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	6,376
Miscellaneous State Refunds	<u>10,973</u>
TOTAL	73,809

Revenue from Other Governments

FEMA Highway/Flood	13,733
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Revenue from Charges for Services

Income from Department	<u>2,350</u>
TOTAL	16,083

Revenue from Miscellaneous Sources

Sale of Municipal Property	11,649
Interest on Investments	5,989
Rents of Property	570
Fines and Forfeits	285
Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	4,295
Contributions and Donations	175
Other Miscellaneous Sources	<u>5,582</u>
TOTAL	28,545

Other Financial Sources

TAN	<u>452,300</u>
TOTAL Revenues from All Sources	\$3,263,322
Total Fund Equity	<u>44,915</u>
TOTAL	\$3,308,273

EXPENDITURES

	Total Expenditure	Equipment and Land Purchases	Construction
General Government			
Executive	\$ 57,146		
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	6,765		
Financial Administration	10,000		
Revaluation of Property	9,123		
Legal Expense	4,019		
Personnel Administration	43,759		
Planning and Zoning	502		
General Government Building	31,318		
Cemeteries	4,457		
Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	17,624		
Advertising and Regional Association	733		
Kindergarten	<u>15,670</u>		
TOTAL	201,116		
Public Safety			
Police	40,386		
Ambulance	1,809		
Fire	19,561		
Emergency Management	32		
FAST Squad	<u>592</u>		
TOTAL	62,380		
Highways and Streets			
Highways and Streets	178,078		
Street Lighting	<u>4,116</u>		
TOTAL	182,194		
Sanitation			
Sunapee Transfer Station	70,000		
Sunapee Landfill	<u>12,500</u>		
TOTAL	82,500		
Water Distribution and Treatment			
Water Testing	308		
Hydrants	405		
Mileage Reimbursement	<u>43</u>		
TOTAL	801		
Health			
Health Agencies and Hospitals	700.00		
Other Health	<u>3,924</u>		
TOTAL	4,624		

Welfare

Administration	225
Direct Assistance	<u>1,915</u>
TOTAL	2,140

Culture and Recreation

Parks and Recreation	3,572
Library	5,600
Patriotic Purposes	<u>432</u>
TOTAL	9,604

Conservation

Other Conservation	<u>600</u>
TOTAL	600

Debt Service

Principal Long Term	
Bonds and Notes	15,000
Interest on Long Term	
Bonds and Notes	1,020
Interest on Tax and	
Revenue Anticipation Notes.....	<u>8,938</u>
TOTAL	24,958

Capital Outlay

Buildings.....	<u>17,986</u>	\$ <u>17,986</u>
TOTAL	17,986	17,986

Interfund Operating Transfers Out

Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds.....	20,000
Transfers to Trust and	
Agency Funds.....	<u>2,000</u>
TOTAL	22,000

Payments to Other Governments

Taxes Assessed for County	184,373
Taxes Assessed for	
Precincts/village Districts	5,581
Taxes Assessed for School Districts	<u>989,100</u>
TOTAL	\$1,179,054

Total Expenditures.....	1,789,957	\$17,986
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Total Fund Equity	<u>105,776</u>
TOTAL.....	\$1,895,733

ASSETS

	Beginning of Year	End of Year
Current Assets		
Cash and Equivalents	\$349,422	\$370,336
Taxes Receivable	144,236	166,647
Tax Liens Receivable	53,089	51,787
Other Current Assets	<u>34,668</u>	<u>35,421</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$581,415	\$624,191

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Current Liabilities		
Due to School Districts		
'95 Correction*	482,100	518,415
Notes Payable - Current	<u>15,000</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	497,100	518,415
Fund Equity		
Reserve for Appropriations		
Voted from Surplus.....	40,000	37,500
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>44,315</u>	<u>68,276</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>84,315</u>	<u>105,776</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		
AND FUND EQUITY	\$581,415	\$624,191

FIXED ASSET GROUP OF ACCOUNTS

	Debit	Beginning of Credit	Debit	End of Credit
Land and				
Improvements..... \$	588,920		\$ 549,360	
Buildings.....	923,850		934,250	
Tax Deeded Property	<u> </u>		<u>29,050</u>	
TOTAL	\$1,512,770		\$1,512,660	

AMORTIZATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT

	Annual Installment	Interest Rate	Date of Last Payment	Bonds o/s at Beginning of Year	Bonds o/s at End of Year
N.H. Bond Bank					
Town Hall					
Renovations 1989 ...	\$15,000	6.75%	6/17/96	\$15,000	\$15,000

RECONCILIATIONS

Reconciliation of School District Liability

School District Liability at Beginning of Year

'95 Correction*	\$482,100*
ADD: School District Assessment for Current Year	1,025,415
Total Liability within Current Year	1,507,515
SUBTRACT: Payments Made to School District.....	<u>- 989,100</u>
School District Liability at End of Year	\$518,415

Allowance for Abatements

	Current Year	Prior Year	TOTAL
Overlay/Allowance for			
Abatements	\$10,420	\$26,535	\$36,955
SUBTRACT:			
Abatements Made	-846	-1,995	-2,841
SUBTRACT:			
Refunds	1,577		-1,577
Estimated Allowance for			
Abatements at End of Year.....	<u>-7,997</u>	<u>-24,540</u>	<u>-32,537</u>
Excess of Estimate	\$ 2,423	\$ 1,995	\$ 4,418

Taxes/Liens Receivable Worksheet

	1080 Taxes	1110 Liens	TOTALS
Uncollected, End of Year	\$166,647	\$ 51,787	\$218,434
SUBTRACT: "Overlay" Carried			
Forward as Allowance			
for Abatements	<u>-5,372</u>	<u>-24,540</u>	<u>-29,911</u>
Receivable, End of Year*	\$172,019	\$ 76,327	\$248,345

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Total Wages Paid

Salaries and Wages \$166,469.77

Deborah L. Coffin,
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Constance A. Jones, Selectman
Louise B. Jacewicz, Selectman

TOWN PROPERTY - 1996

Description	Acres	Land	Buildings
New Library			\$230,850.00
Town Office Building	2.40	37,600.00	90,050.00
Town Hall/Garage/Historic Bldg.	1.40	34,650.00	353,500.00
Old Fire Station	.25	15,400.00	10,000.00
Recreation Facility	6.4	25,850.00	4,550.00
New Fire/Highway/Safety Complex	8.7	60,250.00	245,300.00
Edwards Lot	10	11,630.00	
Gordon Lot	21.3	12,280.00	
McDonald/Knapp Lot	35	25,450.00	
Clay/Webster Lot	9	9,450.00	
Fogg Land	50	21,900.00	
Brooks Lot	51	28,350.00	
Society Lot	48	24,300.00	
Messer Lot	10	3,400.00	
Royal Arch Land	43.5	18,150.00	
Kinsley Lot	80	22,550.00	
Town Beach	.3	50,000.00	
Kolelemook Lot 4	.25	22,200.00	
Collins Park	1	5,600.00	
New Cemetery	4	11,150.00	
Old Cemetery	2	11,150.00	
Fowler Cemetery	1	1,500.00	
Messer Cemetery	.26	5,500.00	
Eastman Lot 43 - Town Lot Dev.	1.31	11,500.00	
Hogg Hill Turnaround	.20	4,050.00	
Woodcrest Lot 2 Beach Addition	.50	32,250.00	
Larue Land	.50	14,300.00	
Tax Deed Property 1993 Tax			
Brady Property Eastman-Lot 13	1.09	11,250.00	
Ondis Property Eastman-Lot 29	3.09	10,400.00	
Tax Deed Property 1994 Tax			
Peterson Property (Aldrich Land)	7.0	7,300.00	
Tax Deed Property 1995 Tax			
Our House Dev. Spring Glen Lot 81	1.04	12,800.00	
Levesque Land Lot 1	2.6	16,250.00	
TOTALS	403.09	578,410.00	\$934,250.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ending December 31 1996

— DR. —

Levies for:	1996	1995
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Year:		
Property Taxes		\$ 168,244.63
Yield Taxes		2,044.60
Taxes Committed - This Year:		
Property Taxes	\$1,344,930.00	
Land Use Change	5,010.00	
Yield Taxes	14,552.00	
Interest Collected on		
Delinquent Tax	<u>872.72</u>	<u>7,939.37</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$1,365,364.72</u>	<u>\$ 178,288.60</u>

— CR. —

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$1,176,258.33	\$ 172,412.12
Land Use Change	3,660.00	
Yield Taxes	11,256.00	
Interest	224.38	3,821.48
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	845.85	
Yield Taxes		1,995.00
Uncollected Taxes - End of Year:		
Property Taxes	166,647.16	
Land Use Change	1,350.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>5,123.00</u>	
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$1,365,364.72</u>	<u>\$ 178,228.60</u>

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Sales/Tax Lien Accounts
Fiscal Year Ending December 31 1996

— DR. —

Unredeemed Liens	1995	1994	1993
Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$39,141.37	\$18,900.41
Liens Executed			
During Fiscal Year	\$53,395.12		
Interest & Costs Collected			
After Lien Execution	<u>2,419.89</u>	<u>4,833.27</u>	<u>3,439.11</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$55,815.01	\$43,974.64	\$22,339.52

— CR. —

Remitted to Treasurer :			
Redemptions	\$19,656.23	\$21,300.59	\$17,592.30
Interest/Costs (After			
Lien Execution)	1,766.21	4,210.59	4,062.54
Liens Deeded			
To Municipalities	764.22	304.69	684.68
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance End of Year	<u>33,628.35</u>	<u>18,158.77</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$55,815.01	\$43,974.64	\$22,339.52

Robert E. Moore
Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Automobile Registration:

1,314 Auto Permits	\$ 98,547.00
196 Titles	<u>392.00</u>
	\$ 98,939.00

Dog Licenses:

200 Dog Licenses.	\$ 1,188.50
14 Kennel Licenses	184.00
19 Dog License Penalties.....	507.00
11 Dog Fines	<u>285.00</u>
	\$ 2,164.50

Vital Statistics:

7 Marriage Licenses	\$ 315.00
1 Marriage License Copies.....	10.00
8 Death Certificates	<u>76.00</u>
	\$ 401.00

Misc. Fees

5 Filing Fees	\$ 5.00
1 Bad Check Fee	15.00
1 Zoning Booklet	5.00
15 U.C.C.'s and Copies	<u>285.00</u>
	\$ 310.00

Total Receipts \$101,814.50

Total Paid to Treasurer: \$101,814.50

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia C. Anderson, Town Clerk

LICENSING OF DOGS

License dog by April 30, if dog is over three months old.

Failure to comply will make you liable to a penalty of \$25.00 and a \$1 per month late fee if not licensed by June 1, 1997.

Cynthia C. Anderson, Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1996 – December 31, 1996

Received from Tax Collector	1,438,520.77	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes – Hemphill		200,000.04
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR		1,638,520.81
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM TOWN CLERK		102,377.88
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM STATE OF N.H.		73,809.60
Other Receipts:		
Planning and Zoning Boards Revenue	1,319.99	
Police Department Revenue	370.00	
Sale/Rent of Municipal Property	12,219.00	
Interest on Investments	5,988.68	
Current Land Use Filings	0.00	
Street Numbering Fees	100.00	
Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	4,294.73	
Septic Site Surveys/Permits	100.08	
Pistol Permits	100.00	
Building and Dwelling Permits	265.00	
Driveway Permits/Septic Survey	275.00	
Copy Machine	84.80	
Other Miscellaneous Sources	5,582.24	
COPS Reimbursement/Federal	28,267.13	
Tax Anticipation Notes	452,300.00	
Intra-Account Transfers	34,227.82	
TOTAL OTHER RECEIPTS		545,494.47
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1996		2,360,202.76
Cash on Deposit January 1, 1996		349,422.13
Receipts for 1996		2,360,202.76
Less Payments for 1996		2,339,288.36
Net Increase in Cash		20,914.40
Cash on Deposit, December 31, 1996		370,336.53

SPECIALS FUNDS

January 1, 1996 – December 31, 1996

Name of Fund	Beginning Balance	Interest	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
CB Robinson	170.98	4.78	0.00	0.00	175.76
Royal Arch	20,901.48	1,197.55	0.00	0.00	22,099.03
Cemetery Improvement	3,357.43	89.23	0.00	0.00	3,446.66
Conservation Commission	6,975.19	302.34	261.90	891.00	6,648.43
Recreation Park Funds	3,262.97	99.53	0.00	2,353.00	1,009.50
Expendable Trust	0.00	42.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,042.00
TOTALS	34,668.05	1,735.43	2,261.90	3,244.00	35,421.38

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive:

Selectmen's Salaries	\$ 7,500.00	
Permanent Employee Salary	17,260.83	
Moderators Salary	265.00	
Ballot Clerks Wages	1060.00	
Administration Supplies	2,626.21	
Easement Fees	0.00	
Registry Deeds Fees	496.09	
Registry Probate Fees	0.00	
Association Fees	540.00	
Mileage Reimbursement	191.25	
State Fees	50.00	
Remembrance	188.00	
Advertising	274.35	
Computer Support Service	1,372.05	
Reference Materials	629.91	
Printing Charges	2,154.00	
Photographic Supplies	41.06	
Computer Supplies	604.87	
Copy Machine Supplies	1,391.98	
Lecture Fees	205.00	
Postal Charges	2,779.10	
Conference Costs	527.00	
Town Meeting Expense	0.00	
Special Town Meeting	0.00	
TM Meal Charges	271.25	
Election Year Meetings	0.00	
Engineering Fees	2,164.10	
Admin. Asst. Wage	<u>14,554.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Executive		\$ 57,146.05

Election, Registration and Vital Statistics:

Checklist Supervisors' Salary	719.81	
Town Clerk's Salary	5,000.00	
Deputy Town Clerk's Salary	350.00	
Printing Charges	43.32	
Advertising	349.85	
Vital Statistics Fees	<u>302.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Election, Registration and Vital Statistics		6,764.98

Financial Administration:

Tax Collector's Salary	6,500.00	
Deputy Tax Collector's Salary	350.00	
Treasurer's Salary	2,000.00	
Deputy Treasurer's Salary	500.00	
Trustee Trust Fund Salary	250.00	
Auditor's Salary	<u>400.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Financial Administration		10,000.00

Revaluation of Property:

House Numbering E-911	1,178.60	
Appraisal Fees	7,147.50	
Tax Map Costs	<u>797.32</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Revaluation of Property		9,123.42

Legal Expenses:

Legal Fees	<u>4,018.75</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Legal Expenses		4,018.75

Personnel Administration:

PD Employee Health Insurance	2,418.88	
TM Employee Health Insurance	11,367.50	
TOE Employee Health Insurance	4,837.36	
Town Paid Unemployment Security	425.87	
Town Paid Workers' Compensation	11,074.00	
Town Share SS and WEL	13,032.52	
Town Retirement System	<u>603.19</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Personnel Administration		43,759.32

Planning and Zoning:

Advertising	67.00	
Lecture Fees	30.00	
Reference Materials	169.99	
Training	10.00	
Advertising	<u>225.15</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Planning and Zoning		502.14

General Government Building:

Wages	13,226.00
Supplies	1,050.01
Town Hall Fuel	998.72
Town Office Building Fuel	1,921.66
Tractor and Repairs	140.00
Equipment Tables etc.	1,792.78

Landscaping	507.67	
Building Repairs	5,112.50	
Telephone	2,629.24	
Town Hall Electricity	855.63	
Town Office Building Electricity	2,287.91	
Tractor/Mower Fuel	37.25	
Fuel Tank Removal	<u>758.49</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, General Government Buildings		31,317.86

Cemeteries

Wages	2,217.25	
Fuel and Oil	21.15	
Maps, Telephone, misc.	17.50	
Landscaping	4.50	
Stone Cleaning, Repair	1,000.00	
Equipment Repairs	107.65	
Equipment Rental	60.20	
New Equipment	981.10	
Flag Holders, Flowers	31.99	
Tractor/Mower Fuel	<u>15.65</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Cemeteries		4,456.99

Insurance:

Town Insurance	<u>17,624.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Insurance		17,624.00

Advertising and Regional Association:

Advertising Regional	<u>733.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Insurance		733.00

Kindergarten:

Supplies	738.36	
Advertising	49.00	
Equipment	1,155.94	
Repairs	1,578.73	
Wages	<u>12,140.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Kindergarten		<u>15,670.03</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS, General Government		201,116.54

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department:

Special Duty Wages	72.00	
Full Time Wages	24,255.00	
Wages	3,592.50	
Vehicle Fuel	1,125.95	
Communications Equipment	1,516.26	
Equipment	183.48	
Uniforms	1,055.23	
Training/Instruction	60.00	
Reference Materials	354.54	
Photographic Supplies	14.98	
Dispatch Service	3,343.75	
Radar Repair	40.00	
Telephone	2,251.59	
Postal Services	19.29	
Cruiser/Truck Repair	2,235.37	
Supplies	106.27	
Court Appearance	60.00	
Radio Change	<u>100.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Police Department		40,386.21

Ambulance:

Ambulance	<u>1,809.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Ambulance		1,809.00

Fire Department:

Fire Chief's Salary	500.00	
Building Heating Fuel	2,226.23	
Fire Vehicle Fuel	229.23	
Dispatch Service, Hanover	1,309.50	
New Communications	1,414.01	
Building Repairs	72.00	
Association Dues	15.00	
New Equipment	8,544.82	
Equipment Repair	162.49	
Training	88.67	
Telephone and Siren	922.35	
Electricity	891.72	
Postal Charges	8.00	
Reference Materials	350.75	
Fire Vehicle Repairs	1,792.80	
Miscellaneous	266.26	
Supplies	<u>767.60</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Fire Department		19,561.43

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**Civil Defense:**

Mileage Reimbursement	<u>31.50</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Civil Defense		31.50

OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY**FAST Squad:**

Equipment	388.46	
Supplies	<u>203.45</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, FAST Squad		591.91

Highways and Streets:

Blasting	150.00	
Wages	53,257.21	
Sand and Gravel	22,417.42	
Shim, Seal and Blacktop	58,228.67	
Culverts	1,839.50	
Equipment Rental	3,689.00	
Salt	4,836.48	
Stone	365.96	
Signing	204.20	
Brush Cutting	1,500.00	
Grader Expenses	5,625.89	
Vehicle and Building Fuel	4,724.43	
Loader Expenses	5,520.93	
Ford Truck and Equipment	1,042.47	
Sander Expenses	949.96	
Shop Expenses	3,371.31	
Communications	601.90	
Equipment	342.93	
Equipment Repair	137.00	
Welding/Oxygen/Supply	807.34	
Telephone	1,368.13	
Association Fees	40.00	
Training Fees	55.00	
Garage Electricity	811.01	
Sand Shed Electricity	52.09	
International Truck and Equipment	4,979.13	
Vehicle Inspection	60.00	
New Fuel Tank Diesel	<u>1,100.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Highways and Streets		178,077.96

Street Lighting:

Street Lighting	<u>4,115.17</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Street Lighting		4,115.17

Sanitation:

Sunapee Transfer Station	70,000.00	
Sunapee Landfill	<u>12,500.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Sanitation		82,500.00

Water Distribution and Treatment:

Water Testing	308.00	
Hydrants, New London Water	450.00	
Mileage Reimbursement	<u>42.50</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Water Distribution and Treatment		800.50

Health and Hospitals:

Hospitals	700.00	
Visiting Nurse	2,766.00	
Animal Control	607.50	
Council on Aging	500.00	
Immunization	<u>50.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Health and Hospitals		4,623.50

Welfare:

Welfare Director's Salary	225.00	
General Assistance	<u>1,914.63</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Welfare		2,139.63

Recreation:

Wages	630.00	
Public Beach	778.73	
Equipment	32.82	
Chemical Toilets	366.00	
Activities	1,311.37	
Storage Building	205.00	
Electricity	115.19	
Advertising	<u>133.20</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Recreation		3,572.31

Library:

Books	5,300.00	
Telephone	<u>300.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Library		5,600.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Patriotic Purposes	200.00	
Flags	<u>232.18</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Patriotic Purposes		432.18

Conservation:

Supplies	38.10	
Park Maintenance	261.90	
Association Dues	<u>300.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Conservation		600.00

Debt Service:

Principal Long Term Bonds and Notes	15,000.00	
Interest Expense, Tax Anticipation Note	8,637.38	
Interest Expense, Long Term Bonds and Notes	<u>1,020.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Debt Service		28,078.74

Capital Outlay:

Town Hall Renovation	3,060.00	
Fire/Highway Garage Complex	<u>14,926.34</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Capital Outlay		17,986.34

Operating Transfers Out:

Revaluation Capital Reserve	20,000.00	
Town Hall Building Expendable Trust	<u>2,000.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Operating Transfers Out		22,000.00

Payments To Others:

Taxes to County	184,373.00	
Taxes to Precincts	5,581.00	
School District Payment	989,100.00	
Tax Anticipation Note Payment	<u>452,300.00</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS, Payments To Others		989,100.00

Taxes Bought By Town	53,395.12
Abatements and Refunds	1,576.50

CEMETERY REPORT

Checking Account Report

Balance as of 11/15/95	\$1,409.86
Deposits	449.05
Interest	<u>13.10</u>
TOTAL	\$1,872.01

Disbursements:

Town of Springfield (Trust Fund Work)	100.00
Town of Springfield (Trust Fund Work)	4.00
Service Star (Lime for Trust Fund Lots)	4.50
Town of Springfield (Trust Fund Work)	45.00
Town of Springfield (Memorial Day Flowers For Trust Fund Lots)	<u>31.99</u>
TOTAL	185.49

BALANCE	\$1,686.52
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Swift Account:

Balance as of 10/31/95	\$ 355.12
Interest	<u>10.13</u>
TOTAL	\$ 365.25

Disbursements

Work on Lots	<u>20.00</u>
Balance as of 12/01/96	\$ 345.25

Internments

Maude A. Palmer	05/02/96
Hazel Marice Patten	05/23/96
Ruth May Hazen	05/25/96
Marion Arabell Dashner	06/08/96
Miriam Abelson Ness	09/28/96

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS - 1996

A list of Cemetery Trust Funds is posted at the Town Offices and anyone wishing information about any of these may contact the Trustees and a complete report of the funds in question will be given. All Cemetery Trust Funds are invested at the Lake Sunapee Bank in 6-12 month certificates or passbook accounts at 5.2%-6.3% interest.

Balance of Principal 12/31/94 \$7,090.00		Balance of Principal 12/31/95 \$7,090.00	
Income Balance 12/31/94	Income Earned	Income Expended	Income Balance 12/31/95
\$896.16	\$424.07	\$469.62	\$850.61

CAPITAL RESERVE AND OTHER SPECIAL FUNDS

Name of Fund	Interest Principal Balance 12/31/94	New Fund Created	Interest Income	Interest/ Principal Expended	Interest/ Principal Balance 12/31/95
Green Lib. Fund	\$1,549.37		\$ 92.25	\$53.40	\$1,588.22
Fire Cap. Res.	1,550.21		38.94	-0-	1,589.15
Pol. Cap. Res.	396.22		8.98	-0-	405.20
Hgwy. Cap. Res.	441.70		9.99	-0-	451.69
Fire/Hgwy. Gar.	213.01		4.84	-0-	217.85
Town Off. Bldg.	332.43		7.54	-0-	339.97
Hgwy. Truck	2,096.09		52.65	-0-	2,148.74
Reval. Res.	-0-	\$10,000.00	349.12	-0-	10,349.12
TOTALS	\$6,579.03	\$10,000.00	\$564.31	\$53.40	\$17,089.94

This is to certify that the information in these reports is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carlisse Clough

1996 REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Purpose of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
			HOW INVESTED	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	
12/27/81	George & B.J. Green library fund	books and equip	CD #93-143	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 82.50	\$ 96.56	\$ 74.16	\$ 1,574.16
3/25/92	T.O.S. Fire and highway garage	bdg fund new &	PB#0290053700	213.01		213.01	4.92	0.00	9.76	222.77
10/14/88	T.O.S. Fire Capital Reserve	used equip	PB#0290050210	1,511.31		1,511.31	39.75	0.00	117.59	1,628.90
3/25/92	T.O.S. Town Office Building	Bldg. Fund	PB#0290045720	324.89		324.89	7.63	0.00	22.71	347.60
4/13/92	T.O.S. Police Capital Reserve	Bldg. Fund New	PB#029-0043300	338.23		338.23	9.14	0.00	76.11	414.34
3/25/93	T.O.S. Highway truck Cap. Resv.	Equipment	PB#029-0059130	2,000.00		2,000.00	53.72	0.00	202.46	2,202.46
4/13/92	T.O.S. Highway Dept.	Bldg. Fund	PB#029-0043290	338.23		338.23	10.16	0.00	123.62	461.85
5/16/95	T.O.S. Revaluation Reserve	Revaluation	CD#1000107730	10,000.00		10,000.00	631.19	0.00	980.31	10,980.31
4/4/96	T.O.S. Revaluation Reserve	Revaluation	CD1000120890	0.00	\$20,000.00	20,000.00	714.62	0.00	714.62	20,714.62
3/17/1894	Faller Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
4/13/1895	Childs Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
03/0	Morgan Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
2/14/12	Burham Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
11/24/14	G.H. Morgan Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
9/24/20	John M. Philbrick	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
12/6/24	Kimball-Hazeltine	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
1/18/27	Sanborn Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
8/27/27	Oren Health Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
10/28/30	R. Freeman Sanborn	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
1/30/32	Beisy Washburn Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
10/25/33	Fifield Sanborn Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
3/24/36	Fred Goss Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22

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7/1/36	John & Moses Noyes Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ 2.87	\$ 2.88	\$ 0.22	\$ 50.22
11/10/59	Col. Richard Sanborn	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.88	0.22	50.22
11/10/59	Henry Sanborn Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053990	50.00		50.00	2.87	2.90	0.22	50.22
6/29/1894	Addison Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
1/30/00	Quimby Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
6/30/00	Davis Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
2/15/01	Beal Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
2/13/09	Goodhue Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
2/15/09	McDaniel Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
10/19/10	Soden & Metcalf Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
2/14/12	McDaniel & Quimby	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
10/2/26	Mary Heath Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
3/28/28	Fannie M. Heath Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
1/16/32	Geo. Cross Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
9/7/39	Edith Gardner Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
11/23/45	Carl & Addie Philbrick Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
1/1/56	Julia Thompson Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
1/27/54	Oscar Clements Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
11/10/59	Warren Philbrick Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
6/24/59	George Philbrick Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
2/1/69	Wesley Flanders Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
1/15/63	Zellie & Annie Tenney Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
12/31/68	Harold Wheeler Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
9/4/70	Charles Heath Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
		Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44

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10/26/70	Toivo & Florence Oksa Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 5.74	\$ 5.76	\$ 0.44	\$ 100.44
4/31/73	William & Jane Hill Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
10/2/73	W. Glen & Virginia Mathewson	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
7/1/74	Burtel S. & John M. Philbrick	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
12/31/74	Cass Family Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
7/11/75	Kaino K. Grace & Richard Brown	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
6/2/78	Harold & Cressa Ballard Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.74	5.76	0.44	100.44
10/7/79	Katherine Morgan Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053980	100.00		100.00	5.78	5.82	0.43	100.43
1/8/16	Heath Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.88	14.93	60.33	260.33
3/1/44	Ruel & Grace Heath Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.88	14.93	60.33	260.33
2/5/68	Waldo Chase Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.88	14.93	60.33	260.33
10/14/70	Marshall Diggs Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.88	14.93	60.33	260.33
8/3/71	Seely Philbrick Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.88	14.93	60.33	260.33
7/26/73	John & Bertena George	Care of lot	CD#1000053960	200.00		200.00	14.90	14.97	60.32	260.32
7/24/13	Wiggins Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053970	300.00		300.00	20.83	20.91	64.41	364.41
2/17/59	Bernard Rudner Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053970	300.00		300.00	20.83	20.91	64.41	364.41
10/2/73	Marion & Harland Heath Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053970	300.00		300.00	20.83	20.91	64.41	364.41
10/15/21	C.C. Messer Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#1000053970	300.00		300.00	20.84	20.90	64.43	364.43
7/11/898	Paige Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-360	60.00		60.00	4.54	4.55	19.42	79.42
2/14/03	Fowler Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-360	40.00		40.00	3.02	3.04	12.93	52.93
1/3/19	L.A. Colby Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-373	95.00		95.00	6.59	6.61	20.17	115.17
8/26/56	Hilda Clough Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-373	25.00		25.00	1.75	1.76	5.62	30.62
9/25/33	James Hillburn Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-454	70.00		70.00	4.88	4.90	15.15	85.15

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7/17/63	Leonard Patten Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-454	\$ 50.00	\$	50.00	\$ 3.53	\$ 3.54	\$ 11.67	\$ 61.67
12/9/36	Leon Tenney Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-458	75.00		75.00	5.21	5.23	16.07	91.07
12/10/69	Bert Morgan Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#86-458	75.00		75.00	5.22	5.23	16.09	91.09
6/6/81	Nichols Family Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#93-134	200.00		200.00	14.71	14.46	68.32	268.32
8/28/81	Mason Family Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#93-136	100.00		100.00	6.22	6.23	5.14	105.14
12/11/81	Josie Philbrick Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#93-141	100.00		100.00	6.17	7.05	20.24	120.24
2/8/85	Beatrice Hastings Cem. Fund	Care of lot	CD#46700	100.00		100.00	4.07	0.00	5.82	105.82
OTHER CAPITAL RESERVES										
	FIRE CAPITAL RESERVE			3,001.35		3,001.35	80.65	0.00	424.90	3,426.25
	REVALUATION RESERVE			1,724.32		1,724.32	44.67	0.00	127.35	1,851.67
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE			10,000.00	20,000.00	30,000.00	1,345.81	0.00	1,694.93	31,694.93
	CEMETERY FUNDS			14,725.67	20,000.00	34,725.67	1,471.13	0.00	2,247.18	36,972.85
	LIBRARY FUNDS			7,090.00	0.00	7,090.00	450.98	449.05	852.54	7,942.54
				1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	82.50	96.56	74.16	1,574.16
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS			\$23,315.67	\$20,000.00	\$43,315.67	\$2,004.61	\$545.61	\$3,173.88	\$46,489.55

1996 AUDITOR'S REPORT

As reflected in the audit, I have examined the financial statements of your Board, the Town Treasurer, the Tax Collector, the Town Clerk, the Trustee of Trust Funds and other Town Officers. I have compared their account vouchers and bank statements of funds on deposit, and find these records to be in agreement.

In my opinion, the records present fairly the financial position of the Town of Springfield for the year ending December 31, 1996.

Richard D. Petrin
Auditor



Jeannie Abair, Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996

SUMMARY OF TOWN MEETING WARRANT 1996

- Article 1:** Officers elected by ballot March 12, 1996.
- Article 2:** Motion made by Richard Petrin, seconded by Boris Bushueff. No discussion. Article passed unanimously.
- Article 3:** Motion made by Louise Jacewicz, seconded by Richard Petrin. Article passed unanimously.
- Article 4:** Motion made by Richard Petrin, seconded by Robert Moore. Amendment made by Bob Nulsen: to change the money amount to \$20,000 and do the interior and exterior. Seconded by Richard Petrin. Voice vote taken and it was undecided. Show of hands: yes 28, no 35+. Amendment failed. Article passed unanimously.
- As Richard Walker finishes his term of selectman this year, Deborah Coffin presented him with a gift and a thank you for all the work he has done.*
- Article 5:** Motion made by Richard Petrin, seconded by Maryanne Petrin. Article passed.
- Article 6:** Motion made by Richard Petrin, seconded by Maryanne Petrin. Amendment made by Richard Walker: to add "or as justice may require." Seconded by Richard Petrin. Amendment passed unanimously. Amended article passed unanimously.
- Article 7:** Motion made by Richard Petrin, seconded by Maryanne Petrin. Article passed unanimously.
- Article 8:** Motion made by Ken Jacques, seconded by Richard Petrin. Amendment #1 made by Janet Booker: "To remove the old fire station and retain the land." Seconded by Mac Charles. Amendment passed unanimously. Amendment #2 made by Steve Bailey: "To have the fire department burn it down." Seconded by Dorothy Anderson. Amendment failed. Amendment #3 made by Sherman Heath: "To remove or sell the old fire station." Seconded by Joe Parenteau. Amendment passed. Article passed as amended.
- Article 9:** Motion made by Wolf Heinberg, seconded by Robert Klein. Article passed.
- Article 10:** Motion made by Louise Jacewicz, seconded by Robert Moore. Article passed unanimously.
- Article 11:** Motion made by Bernand Manning, seconded by Richard Petrin. Article passed unanimously.

The committee on Article 20 was represented by Jon Poston, who gave a report of their work. Boris Bushueff also spoke from the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:51 AM by Thomas Wade.

BUILDING COMMITTEE - 1996

This year the Building Committee was charged with the responsibility of investigating possible sites for septage spreading. Following is their report as presented to the Board of Selectmen:

“On June 6 a group representing Building, Planning, Zoning, and Conservation met at the Town Office to go to two sites, with the thought in mind that one of these might be a viable location for the future Springfield Septage/Sludge Site.

At a previous meeting, we had studied locations on the town map, gone through the blotter, and the list of town properties in the town report. It was our unanimous feeling that these were the only two sites that might meet our needs. We did check prices on two privately owned sites but feel that at this point there is no need to explore the purchasing of land or the use of state land.

1. Our first recommendation to you would be the Kingsley Lot. We had a very buggy walk on this property and feel that an area could certainly be designated. Access to this property would be a big plus, and we do not feel that it would create a problem with abutters.

2. Our second visit was to the Brooks Lot on Shad Hill. Although the property would work, the access would work, etc., we hesitate in recommending this site because of the abutters. They are directly across the road; this interruption would probably not set well with them. We all voiced the opinion that if we were one of the owners, we would not like it. ...”

In response to this report the Selectmen will be requesting that an engineer proceed with soil testing to further determine the suitability of this lot.

Sincerely,
Fred Davis, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT - 1996

This past year, members of the Conservation Commission have been involved with many projects: visiting proposed sludge disposal sites, perambulation of town boundaries, investigation of possible wetland violations, and joining the Lake Sunapee Watershed Protection Advisory Committee. The conservation easement at the fire-highway-safety complex was completed.

Two new projects are underway. As mandated by the state's commission guidelines, the natural inventory index has been started. A working group separate from the commission has been formed to address this task. The steps to complete the inventory have been agreed upon and maps and information are being gathered. A Plymouth State student has donated his time and efforts and has chemically tested the waters of Star Lake and McAlvin Pond. He plans to continue to work with us this coming season. The data he collected is on record for future reference.

The other project is the involvement in the Kearsarge Regional High School program, Resource Research, during the school's second quarter. Neil Hummel has been attending Conservation Commission meetings and, as his 1/4 credit independent study program, is collecting data on wildlife activity in a recently clear-cut area in the Gile Forest. Another Springfield student, Tonya Tatro is involved with the New London Commission. This is an ongoing program, and the commission plans to continue to guide and educate students in the workings of the commission and to encourage them to feel a sense of responsibility for the ecological future of their town.

The Conservation Commission meets the second Thursday of each month at the Memorial Building. We welcome and encourage your participation at these meetings. If you have any special concerns, or would like to join the Wetlands Advisory Group, please contact any of the commissioners..

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Bruss
Chairman

Residents of Springfield:

The Conservation Commission is currently, as mandated by state legislature, conducting a natural resources inventory. Lakes and ponds will be tested for their water quality and their watershed will be delineated. The natural inventory maps, which will show our wetlands, protected lands, and topography, will be on display at the town office upon completion.

It would assist the Conservation Commission if you would answer any or all of the following questions. Please be as specific as you can. The questionnaires can be left at the town office or there will be a collection box at town meeting.

– Would you be willing to assist in the natural inventories mapping?

– Are there other features that you would like to see on the map, e.g., cemeteries, old mill sites, etc.?

– Would you be willing to assist in locating special features?

– Do you have any concerns with the town's use of its natural resources, e.g., logging, water, sand and gravel, etc.?

– Would you be interested in becoming a Conservation Commission member or alternate member?

Thanks for your time and cooperation in this adventure.

Name (Optional)

Phone #

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Fire Department saw an increase in calls during 1996. Alarm activations, motor vehicle accidents, and medical calls to assist the Fast Squad made up the majority of the 62 calls that were responded to.

Several purchases were made during 1996. They are a new portable water tank to support the pumpers, three new breathing apparatus which are updated to National Protection Association standards and several new pagers for the fire-fighters. Also, there have been additional purchases towards safety procedures.

A big change this year has been the Fire Department relocating to the new Fire, Highway, Safety Complex. I would like to personally thank Mason Wheeler, Ron Denman, Matt Waddell, and the many other volunteers who donated their time and materials to help complete the building.

As always, we invite those interested in joining the Fire Department to attend our regular monthly meeting held the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert W. Donnelly Jr.
Fire Chief

SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

Incident Report for the Town of Springfield, 1996

Search and Rescue	1
Medical Assistance	12
Brush Fires	4
Car Accidents	10
Structure Fires	2
Wires Down	1
Tree on Wires	6
Smoke Investigations	1
Motor Vehicle Fires	3
Fuel Spills	1
Chimney Fires	6
Alarm Activations	9
Mutual Aid Calls	3
Propane Fires	1
Truck Accidents	1
Carbon Monoxide Detections	1
Total Calls for 1996	62

Respectfully submitted,
Robert W. Donnelly Jr.
Fire Chief



July 1996 marked the fourth anniversary of Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc.

Throughout 1996 COA continued its growth. Membership increased by 13%, clients served by 30% and units of service by 35% over 1995.

Pursuing its aim "to help make our later years a productive, positive time of life instead of a time of loneliness and uncertainty," COA continued in 1996 to serve members with: Rides for non-drivers, Mr. Fixit repairs, Telephone Reassurance, Friendly Visitor, call-in services, Intergenerational projects and cooperative efforts with other organizations.

Conversations with Lunch, Valentine Luncheon, Mountain Day, Christmas reception and two programs funded by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities Council, "American Family" and "No, But I've Seen the Movie" served as social and educational gatherings with a combined attendance of over 1,400 during 1996.

A walking program for seniors was introduced in November at the Sunapee High School gym. Other towns are scheduled to start on January 6, 1997.

On October 26, 1996, a conference for older people, their families and caregivers was held at Kearsarge Middle School. "Taking Back Our Elder Years" was hosted by COA and co-sponsored by 15 local agencies. Financial support was provided by the Hilary & James Cleveland Fund of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The conference was led by Joan Doran, COA Vice Chairman and was attended by over 200 seniors. A post-conference evaluation by attendees rated the program's six themes, "excellent," or "very good." Many constructive suggestions were offered for future presentations.

On December 1, 1996, COA moved to its new Program Center at 12 Newport Road in New London. This larger center will allow for provision of services in-house rather than depending on donated space from other institutions. Programs to start in January will include exercise, bridge lessons, painting, quilting, nutrition, movies, card playing and games. Computer classes are planned to be introduced later in the year. Members will be kept informed by the COA Newsletter.

COA is deeply grateful for financial support from Springfield and other area towns, from donors to fund drive and events, from advertisers in its newsletter, from foundation grants and from individual clients.

COA extends a very special thank you to the volunteers who give so generously of their time and talents. Except for Nancy Friese, Administrative Assistant, the COA is an entirely volunteer organization.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert J. Bradley
Chairman of the Board

LIBBIE A. CASS MEMORIAL LIBRARY - 1996

Librarian's Report

All of the collections continue to grow, books, videos, books on tape, and read-alongs for the children. We get videos from our cooperative, LUV (Librarians of the Upper Valley), which are exchanged every two months. Starting in January we will also participate in a tri-monthly exchange of unabridged book tapes. This is a welcome addition to our books on tape as unabridged book tapes are very expensive and beyond our budget.

The Friends have again lived up to their name by providing the library with more memory for the computer and a faster modem. Because of our access to the State Library with our new equipment, we are able to process inter-library loans more quickly and many of our patrons are taking advantage of this service. A new copy machine is also in the offing.

The kindergarten continues to come to the library once a week for story time and also to borrow books. The aim is to instill good reading habits as this is the best way to insure future scholastic success.

The meeting room is available for art exhibits, currently showing works by Elizabeth D'Amico. We remind children and adults that free tutoring is available and help in passing the GED exam.

As usual, the most important part of this report is to thank the many volunteers who make this library function. Our entire staff is composed of volunteers and every penny of tax money is spent on the collection and supplies. Thanks to Sally Allen, Sue Anderson, Florence and George Baxter, Betty Broadley, Terry Davis, Carol Demarais, Gladys and Frank Fremgen, Betty McKinnon, Daphne Klein, Steve Klein, Jeff Milne, Barbara Reney, Bill Sullivan, Muriel Tinkham, Donna Vassar and the Trustees. The Trustees help in many ways, planning events for the children and keeping the library functioning and serving on the circulation desk.

Special thanks to Lili Rudner, who donates so many good books, Lori Coleman for sprucing up the bulletin board, Nancy Vandewart for running the wonderful crafts program during the summer story times. Joanne Tulonen launched and guides our new book group which meets monthly and is a most enjoyable addition to library activities. Our deep appreciation of Bill Sullivan who is ever ready to fix the computers, instruct the staff in their use and be on 24-hour call for our many emergencies as we learn to use our new technology.

Our hope, as expressed yearly, is that every person in town will be a card-carrying patron. We welcome suggestions for new books and other materials and how to serve you better. We also invite new volunteers to become part of our wonderful staff.

Celeste Klein
Librarian

Financial Statement 1/1/96 TO 12/31/96
Libbie A. Cass Memorial Library
Springfield, N.H. 03284

Town Appropriated Funds

Balance 1/1/96	\$2,200.39
Received 1996	5,600.00
Interest	53.66
Donations	162.00
Copier	<u>132.45</u>
Total	\$8,148.50

Disbursements

NYNEX	\$ 348.72
Books & Videos	3,935.40
Supplies & Services	<u>994.16</u>
Total	\$5,278.28

Balance 12/31/96 \$2,870.22

Trustee Funds

Balance 1/1/96	\$3,834.24
Receipts	
Interest on the Green Fund	\$ 96.56
Book & Bake sales	606.55
Interest	183.93
Coffee-Donuts Town Meeting	<u>32.80</u>
Total	\$5,274.51

Disbursements

Christmas Party ('95 & '96)	\$ 334.47
Scholarships (4)	1,600.00
Supplies	<u>51.04</u>
Total	\$1,985.51

Balance 12/31/96 \$2,768.57

Memorial Fund CD

Balance 1/1/96	\$ 741.16
Interest Received	<u>15.59</u>
Total	\$ 756.75

Balance 12/31/96 \$2,870.22

LIBRARY TRUSTEE'S REPORT

We are pleased to announce that the library has gone online. In 1996 we have provided access to the Inter net through an online service at the library. We are very excited to be able to offer this service to our patrons. Its use enables students to broaden research capabilities for projects and reports. It also enables Celeste to provide materials to patrons through inter library loan. If you have a special request for material that we do not have available, most likely it can easily be obtained for you through a simple inquiry into the online service. Stop by to see how this can work for you.

Also through a joint membership with the Wilmot Public Library and the Librarians of the Upper Valley Coop we are now able to provide an increased selection of unabridged books on tape. These will circulate among LUV Coop members on a quarterly basis.

Celeste, and her helpful staff of volunteers, as always, keeps things running smoothly throughout the year. We thank them for their assistance. Also thanks go to Sue Anderson for picking up after us.

This past year, we held our book sale at the Town Hall in conjunction with the Town-wide yard sale in June. We were pleased with the results and look forward to a successful sale again this year. Our bake sale was again fruitful and we thank all those who donate to our cause so generously each year.

We were able to provide money to four students continuing their education. Our annual scholarship was awarded to Anastasia Robinson. Congratulations Anastasia for your accomplishments. Others receiving monetary gifts were Jacob Hummel, Clyn Avery, and Douglas LeBrecht. In 1997 the Friends of the Library have agreed to assist us with our award funding.

Participants in the summer recreation program finished the season with a trip to the Montshire Museum co-sponsored by the Recreation Committee and the Trustees. Summer story time was held in conjunction with the recreation program. A weekly story time is also held throughout the school year for the kindergarten class.

The Christmas Party was well attended with about 50 children in attendance. The kindergarten class sang, Bob Higgins delighted us with his magic, and Santa paid us all a visit. We wish to thank Judy Lawlor for providing Santa with the homemade wooden ornaments that children have received for the past two years.

This year Terry Davis decided to give up the reins of trustee to someone else. We wish to acknowledge the many years of dedicated service Terry provided to us during her years with the Board. Thank you Terry.

We wish to extend our gratitude to everyone for their continued support of library services in Springfield.

*Janet Roberts, Chairman
Alice Nulsen, Treasurer
Janice "Minnie" Patten, Secretary*

1996 PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Planning Board's activities were mostly routine this year, consisting of minor subdivisions and consultations. After the granting of Special Exceptions by the Zoning Board, it did approve site plans for two commercial garages, one for body work and one for foreign automobiles. The Board also prepared and had a public hearing on amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on Septage and Sludge spreading within the Town. These will be on the Warrant for Town Meeting in 1997 for approval or disapproval by the voters.

We want to thank the townspeople who attended meetings over the course of the year for their helpful input into the Board's deliberations. We would like to encourage even greater participation by all citizens so that we may best represent their wishes within the regulations of the Board and its scope as defined by State Regulations. All meetings are open and regularly scheduled for the third Thursday of each month. Special meetings are posted. Abutters are notified of all hearings which are also posted.

Robert Z. Klein
Chairman 1996



Jason Waddell, Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996

SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT 1996 REPORT

1996 will be the first year Springfield has had a full-time Police Officer. A great deal has been done during this first year. Major burglaries have been brought to a near standstill along with criminal mischief incidents in the community. With your help regarding speeding vehicles, we have had no accidents involving serious injuries. This could not have been done without the drivers of our community making an effort to help.

Byron (Chuck) Charles, who was a part-time officer in Springfield at the beginning of 1996, was hired full time with the Haverhill, New Hampshire Police Dept. Chuck was a professional, serving the community. He is by far one of the finest young men that I have ever worked with, and he is truly missed. It is the feeling of the Springfield Police Dept. to help any young person in the community who seeks a career in Law Enforcement.

We presently have two part-time officers. Peter Cosgrove has over 17 years of Police experience. Peter assists with court and other legal issues. Newly hired officer Michael Wright will be attending the part-time officer school in 1997. Officer Wright is known in the community, with extensive training as an EMT and as a Springfield fire fighter. Bob Howard has been of great help setting up the files and recordkeeping system. Everything is done by hand at this time. This will soon change due to the recent addition of a computer system with state-provided software.

I have spent a good deal of time with the youth in the school system. Safety talks have been given that have produced a friendly and open demeanor with the youth of our town. Bike safety training was also held at the Rec. field this summer.

I would also like to thank Russ and Phil of the Highway Dept. for keeping the roads clear of snow this past winter. We sure had enough of it. I was able to get to all emergencies and patrol areas. With only two men, they did a great job.

It is my hope that, with the support of the community, we will keep Springfield a safe place to work, live and play.

In the spirit of community service
and protection,
James Benoit
Chief of Police

SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incident Report for the Town of Springfield, 1996

Complaint/Service/Reports (CSR)	536
Criminal Offenses Known	62
Arrests/Summonses Criminal	32
Property Stolen	\$7,001.00
Property Recovered	\$199.00
Motor Vehicle-Arrests/Summonses	67
Accidents	17
Accidents-Personal Injury	5
Warnings Issued	124
D.E. Tags Issued	13
Motorist Assists	12
Check-Ups Made	8
Doors/Windows Secured/Resident Checks ..	84
Juvenile - All Contact	20
Alarms	38
House Checks	109
Motor Vehicle Stops	174
Assist Other Departments	68
Court Appearance	28
Dog Complaints	49
Vandalism Loss	\$525.00

Total Police incident/contacts 12/31/96 ... 710

Respectfully submitted,
James Benoit
Chief of Police

RECREATION COMMITTEE – 1996

The Recreation Committee has had a very active and successful year. In July we co-sponsored the Annual Springfield Softball Tournament and barbeque with the Fire Department. The event was very successful, even though the Fire Department won the tournament. Many of you turned out to play, cheer, have fun, and enjoy the food and prizes.

The summer recreation program had a successful second year. I would like to thank everyone who was involved with the program, your effort, commitment, and kindness have not gone unnoticed. Thank you Carol Rollinson, Doreen, Kimberly, and Amanda Caden, Joe Mercado, Celeste Klein, Nancy Vandewart, Alice Nulsen, Marissa Wilson, Rich Rollinson, Jim Benoit, and Louise Jacewicz. We embarked in a new direction this summer with some new events. We had tournaments, free play, special days, arts and crafts, library visits, beach day, and a field trip to Montshire Museum. We entered a float in the Hospital Day Parade and had safety days and demonstrations with Chief Benoit. This format and time schedule seemed to work. We will try again with some new ideas next summer.

The town hired a certified Red Cross swimming instructor this year. Everyone was thrilled, and his enthusiasm was welcomed. Many of the children advanced to a new level and mastered techniques. Thank you, Dave Goulet, for all your hard work and commitment to the young children of Springfield.

In September we hosted the Amy Lamy Family Walkathon around Lake Kroleemook. Thank you, everyone, for participating and showing your love and support and town spirit. We raised \$3,500 for the Lamys.

On December 7 we sponsored the Second Annual Holiday Tree Lighting at the recreation field, followed by a dessert social at the Fire Department. After some caroling, a toy raffle, and a visit from Santa Claus, those who dared to brave the horrendous snowstorm danced the night away with Wilbur Grace and the Night Owls.

The Recreation Department is always looking for new ideas and projects. We encourage all of you to join in our activities and to do whatever you can to help make Springfield a safe and “enjoyable” place for our young people.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Coleman
Chairman

LAKE SUNAPEE YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

November 11, 1996

Dear Mrs. Jacewicz:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the Town of Springfield, on behalf of L.S.Y.F.A., the coaches, and, most importantly, the kids in our program, for the hospitality we were shown this year.

When I first contacted you in April, you readily agreed to allow us to use the field, not really knowing anything about us, but willing to take a chance. All through this past football season, the rest rooms and other facilities were always available, and we were always made to feel welcome.

I had promised to forward a copy of our insurance certificate, and I apologize for not doing so sooner. It is enclosed with this letter. We also promised to make any needed repairs to the field. We fully intend to honor that commitment, and would ask that you make some determination as to what is needed. Many times spring is the best time to work on a field, but we can make whatever arrangements that you feel are necessary.

Our program might be undergoing some structural changes next year, but we are hoping that Springfield will still welcome us as you did so graciously this year. Again, please accept our sincere thanks for your contribution to the growth of football in our area.

Yours truly,

Gus Baffa
L.S.Y.F.A.

**Report of State Representative-Elect
Sullivan County
County District #2
(Grantham-Springfield-Sunapee)**

Thank you for this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the voters of Grantham-Springfield-Sunapee for the vote of confidence at the November 5th election. I respect this as a privilege and subscribe to the saying that "one should never forget the public who put one there".

As a new legislator, I am anxious to learn the process as soon as possible. I am delighted that I have been appointed to the Municipal and County Government Committee. My predecessor, Tom Behrens, ably chaired this committee during the last session. I also value the opportunity to stay attuned to the very important issues our towns and counties face on a day-to-day basis. Coupled with community needs, escalating costs and the potential susceptibility to eroding tax bases, we need to stay involved.

In the area of constituent service, I am looking forward to working with the various boards, citizens groups and individuals within the district. I hope to become more familiar with the various state and county functions in the weeks ahead. Please feel free to telephone Concord 271-3317 or fax 763-9933 if I can be of any assistance with either of these two governmental entities. My mailing address is 310 North Road, Sunapee, NH 03782.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard C. Leone

Report of Representative Merle W. Schotanus District 3, Sullivan County

1996 was a historic year in state government in both political and legislative terms. Republican Governor Merrill's surprise announcement in April that he would not seek a third term started a round of political musical chairs that ended with the election of a Democrat, and the state's first woman Governor. In the Legislature, Representative Donna Sytek of Salem became the state's first woman Speaker of the House and the Democrats made significant gains in both the House and Senate. In the '96 legislative session, lawmakers opened up the electric utility and healthcare markets, passed kindergarten incentive funding after years of trying, and took a stab, albeit weak, at temporarily solving the state's perennial fiscal problems. An increase in cigarette taxes was proposed but defeated, as was raising revenues through the licensing and regulation of video gambling machines. All of this sets the stage for two exciting legislative sessions in the FY 97-98 biennium.

1997 will likely be a year in which the new Governor emphasizes pragmatic solutions to problems without the political rhetoric we have been used to. The legislative debate is likely to concentrate on budget priorities; electric utility deregulation; education funding; an increased cigarette tax, and legalizing video poker machines at the state's horse and dog race tracks. There will be little chance of funding existing programs at a respectable level or increasing state aid to municipalities without raising additional revenue. You can expect the legislature to tinker with existing taxes, but reform of New Hampshire's antiquated and inequitable tax structure is not in the cards. Additionally, the state was warned by the major bond rating services in December, 1996 that it must put its fiscal house in order if it is to maintain its current high bond rating of AA+. This is critical because the higher the bond rating, the less interest cost to the taxpayer for state borrowing. The warning came as a result of recurring operating deficits over the past three years.

After eight rewarding years on the House Finance Committee, I will now serve as the clerk of the Public Works and Highways Committee, which deals with the state's capital budget, highways, bridges and public building projects. Although busy, the committee's relatively relaxed pace, compared to the hectic schedule of the finance committee, will allow me more time to pursue other legislation of interest to my constituents. I will be working on several bills in the 1997 session, including, among others, conservation license plates, 1848 abortion laws, snowmobile registration fees, Red Cross emergency volunteers, local approval of river corridor plans, milfoil, and forest landowner estate taxes.

I am pleased to report that the FY 97 \$15.1 million county budget required a zero tax increase, thanks to efficient management by the county administrator and commissioners. I will, for the sixth time, chair the fourteen-member Sullivan County legislative delegation. I am pleased to welcome Representative Dick Leone from Sunapee to the delegation. His vast experience in education

administration and town government will add greatly to the delegation's expertise. I also welcome back to the District 3 team Peter Burling of Cornish, who is no stranger to the legislature. Peter will put his broad public affairs experience and expertise to work as the leader of the loyal opposition in the House. I wish also to publicly thank two departing members of the District 3 legislative team for their outstanding service to their constituents, county government, and the State of New Hampshire: Tom Behrens of Sunapee who returns full time to the business world after 10 years of legislative service, and Sandy Stettenheim of Plainfield, who retired after one term to pursue other endeavors with her husband, Peter. I am confident that the newly elected team of Burling, Leone and Schotanus will continue to provide strong, visible representation in Concord and at the county for the residents of Districts 1, 2, and 3, Sullivan County.

Finally, I wish to thank all those who continue to have confidence in me to represent your interests in Concord, as indicated by your very supportive vote in November, 1996 to elect me to a seventh term. As always, I stand ready to serve you in Concord and in the County. You can reach me in Grantham (863-2293, or 28 Sugarwood Lane, 03753-7725) or in Concord (271-3565, or Room 201, LOB, Concord 03301).

Representative Merle W. Schotanus
District 3, Sullivan County
Grantham



Left to right: Justin Petrin, Ben Keyser and Lucas Johnston
Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996

REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF DISTRICT ONE

By

Raymond S. Burton
Councilor – District One

It is an honor to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. The Executive Council is five in number and serves much like a Board of Directors at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government in Concord. We vote on most contracts over \$2,500 to outside agencies, individuals and municipalities, major permits to use state waters, 267 unclassified positions as Commissioners and Directors within the Executive Branch of State Government, and the entire Judicial Branch of NH State Government is voted in by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. We also vote on gubernatorial nominations of hundreds of citizens to various boards and commissions as prescribed by NH Law.

Anyone desiring further information should write or call our State House Office (listed below).

Citizens in this region should be attentive to several projects:

1) The statewide Health Care Council's 18-month planning project will be coming to conclusion in December of 1997. There are three very active Councils in this District. Information can be obtained by calling Commissioner Terry Morton, Department of Health and Human Services at 1-800-852-3345.

2) The ten-year highway planning process will be underway this coming summer and fall. I will be conducting at least three hearings in this district to ascertain regional needs. Information on this project can be obtained by calling Commissioner Leon Kenison, Department of Transportation at 271-3735.

3) The NH Joint Tourist Promotional Program will, I expect, be funded at least with \$500,000 to be matched by local Chamber of Commerce and tourist groups to promote your region. Information on this program is available from Commissioner Robb Thomson, Department of Resources and Economic Development at 271-2411.

4) There is approximately \$172,000 waiting to be matched by local economic development promotion dollars from local groups. Information can be obtained on this program from Director Norman Storrs, Economic Development at 271-2341.

5) There are about 10 million dollars waiting for applications from local governments for Community Development Block Grants to improve your local town and area. Information on how to apply can be obtained by calling Director Jeff Taylor, Office of State Planning at 271-2155.

6) Local towns, cities, counties and eligible organizations should be aware of the large Federal and State Surplus Distribution Programs (the state surplus

distribution center is open to the public at White Farm on Clinton Street in Concord, NH on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Further information may be obtained by calling supervisor Art Haeussler, Surplus Distribution at 271-2602.

7) Citizens and groups concerned with disabilities should be aware of the large number of services available from the Developmental Disabilities Council by calling Director Alan Robichaud at 271-3236.

8) The Department of Environmental Services covering water, sewers, air, lakes and rivers has available information and financial resources by calling Commissioner Robert Varney or Assistant Commissioner Dana Bisbee at 271-3503.

9) The Department of Health and Human Services, including elderly, mental health, human services, public health, drug and alcohol abuse, are all under Commissioner Terry Morton at 1-800-852-3345.

Our State Government is small, effective and efficient. It is amazing how many services, both technical information and financial assistance, are available to eligible applicants and for proposals.

Please call my office at any time. I am at your service!

Raymond S. Burton
State House - Room 207
Concord, NH 03301
Tel. 603-271-3632

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT 1996

Well, it is hard to believe that another school year has come and gone. Much work was needed to be done and much was accomplished. With the completion of my second year as your representative to the Kearsarge Regional School Board, I am happy to report that the school system is in good shape.

We, as a unified district, have pulled together. Through our hard work and unified efforts, we have passed the High School renovation and expansion bond issue, and made much needed renovations and repairs to the middle school as well as systems and window repairs to some of the elementary schools.

The addition to the High School will provide much needed room for our ever expanding school population. The renovations will provide all new athletic fields. Finally, we will be able to enjoy watching our children compete in field and track events at our new facility in Sutton. This year, too, we have established the beginning of club football through the Lake Sunapee Youth Football League at the high school at no expense to the taxpayer. Many of our young people from Springfield will benefit from this program. New science labs and computer labs will help our children to ready themselves for the future.

A new course of study, "The Co-op Program", will finally provide for our students the opportunity to participate in voc-tech type programs here instead of having to commute for ours on the bus to Newport, Claremont or Concord. The initial co-op programs that the school board is trying to initiate are: graphic arts, culinary arts (to include restaurant management and service), and occupational arts. This, along with the already in place "school-to-work", initiative will bring the schools and business community together. This spirit of giving and cooperation is applaudable.

We will soon be holding a number of workshops at the Libbie Cass Library to work on the "community outreach questionnaire". It will concentrate on future goals, projects and new programs that we in Springfield are interested in. I hope to see many of you at these workshops with me and the Superintendent, Dr. Jean R. Richards.

This year's CAT scores and NH Assessment Testing have been good. There has been an increase in many areas and a few areas are in need of improvement. The NH Assessment results for the 10th graders are wonderful. The new programs and teaching methods are showing the fruits of their labors. These new initiatives put in place by the school board, the Superintendent and the teachers are paying off. Our 10th graders finished in the top five in the entire state. With this great academic showing and the "Co-op Program" in place, we will be filling the needs of the greater population of students. Please show your support for these programs at this year's annual school meeting.

As I stated last year, my job as your representative to the Board of Education is to represent the best interests of the children. I will continue to keep an open mind while taking into consideration the merit, cost and benefit to the students and the KRSD.

We must continue to work on the constant improvement to education. Yes, education is expensive, but ignorance is more costly. I ask your support as we continue to strive to be “second to none” and that we always remember – “children are first”.

Respectfully submitted,
John Rego Perrotta
Springfield Representative, KRSD



SPRINGFIELD KINDERGARTEN 1996 - 1997

Sitting in front, left to right: Tim Denman, Tim Patten, D.J. Bucknam, Alex Eugenio, Carter Bascom, Jeremiah Charles. Back row: Darcie Donnelly, Suzanne W., Jared LaBelle, Kayla Badger, Kenny Wheeler, Katie Shampney, Greyson LaBelle, Timmy Rollins

SPRINGFIELD KINDERGARTEN

The spring of 1996 brought a happy ending to a wonderful school year. Some of our special spring events included the following: a visit from Frank Anderson to talk about the history and importance of our nation's flag, a field trip to Dallas Patten's dairy farm, a trip to our town Post Office, a tour of the elementary school in New London, a trip to Lebanon Opera House to see *Aladdin* performed on stage, singing at the Memorial Day service, and a barbecue at the home of student Megan Wood. We finished the school year with a packed house celebration at which the children sang songs and received kindergarten certificates.

During the summer months, a new floor was installed in the classroom. Ray and Carolyn Kershaw volunteered their time to install plywood underlayment. Carpet King was hired to install commercial vinyl tile. The Kindergarten Parent Group purchased area rugs for our circle area and block area.

The new school year brought us twelve new students, nine boys and three girls. We have visited the Montshire Museum to view the moving dinosaurs. We have also visited Springfield's new fire station where Mack Charles and Ron Denman gave us a tour and demonstration of the equipment. The students were thrilled by spraying the hose and activating the siren. Police chief Jim Benoit visited our class to talk about Halloween safety.

The students have been busy with units such as "All About Me," Weather, Seasons, Bones, Native Americans, Pilgrims, and Holidays Around the World. The new Math curriculum, *Box It Or Bag It Math*, introduces them to concepts of patterning, numbers 1-20, shapes, measurement, and money. The new writing curriculum, Zaner-Bloser *Fun With Letters*, introduces the students to naming and writing letters and learning the sounds associated with them. Reading together from big books, writing in journals, creating stories, and sharing discussions during our Circle time guides them on the road to reading.

The children have been rehearsing for their singing debut at the Library Christmas party. Nancy Vandewart will accompany us. We are grateful to Celeste Klein for volunteering her time every week to have a story hour with the kindergarten.

We are also grateful to the kindergarten Board of Trustees for their time and effort: Nancy Edgar-Howard, Janet Booker, Alison Shores, Beth Dombrowsky, Kim Patten, Cheryl Wood, and Pam Laurie. Thanks go to Debbie Coffin, our Select Board representative, to Nancy Vandewart for her time and talents at the Christmas party concert and the Memorial Day service, to Frank Fremgen for his donation of beautiful puzzles he created. Thanks go to the parents of our students who have volunteered time in the classroom and help with special projects.

And an extra special thank you goes to the Town of Springfield. We are grateful for your loving concern and generous commitment to the children of your town.

SPRINGFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT - 1996

During the past year, the Historical Society has continued to have quarterly programs with a good mix of in-house and outside speaker presentations. This year we had two presentations by Patsy Heath Caswell based upon Vera Philbrick Cote's unpublished paper "Highways and By-Ways of Springfield in the 1920s and 1930s". In addition, Dartmouth Professor Jere Daniell gave his second presentation to the society. This one was entitled "Exploring the Myth of the Good Life in New Hampshire Towns". The programs have always drawn a good crowd with many interested people coming from the adjacent towns of Grantham, New London and Wilmot.

Some noteworthy accomplishments of 1996 were the modification of the back part of the museum by Fred Davis to comply with state fire regulations and the continued donation of Springfield memorabilia by an encouragingly broad representation of townspeople. The success of this donation program is resulting in an unanticipated high volume of material that is certain to support a more complete and factual history of the people of Springfield.

1996 saw the successful publishing and sales of the historical society calendar using pictures showing life as it used to be in Springfield and highlighting some of the town's citizens of yesteryear. The calendar was put together by Louise Jacewicz and Muriel Tinkham with help from Dede Meyer. After careful consideration, it was decided that we cannot rely on the sale of future calendars to be sufficient to pay for the printing. As a replacement, the society is working on publishing a pictorial history of Springfield. It will consist of a short written history of Springfield and 80 to 90 pages of old photographs depicting the life and growth of Springfield.

The society had another successful fund-raising dinner prepared by Chef John Rego and his Protectworth Catering Company. This annual event is much anticipated each year because of the widespread popularity of the excellent food served. The society realized a profit of \$753 at this year's dinner.

The society continues to work on long-term studies of town cemeteries, genealogy, houses, mills and mines. Small groups are pooling their energies to research and write reports within these categories.

Finally, we have a new Treasurer, Janet Roberts, who took over in the middle of the year from Louise Jacewicz. The society's financial position continues to be robust, helping us purchase the needed amenities for the museum and provide support for the various ongoing projects.

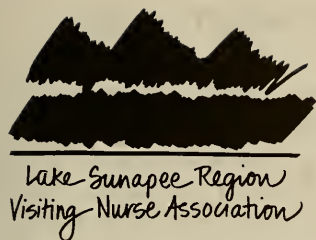
Respectfully submitted,
Bob Nulsen
President

100 YEARS AGO - JAN. 1, 1897
N.H. Argus and Spectator

SPRINGFIELD - The kitchen junket on the Turnpike last week was largely attended, in fact it was a complete jam: Perfect order was maintained until about 11 o'clock, when two highly connected young bloods from out of town came in filled with booze and attempted to run the affair, claiming the head and choice of figures every time which created a dispute resulting in a grand knockdown, and four ladies reported fainted. Constable John Wiggin and Detective Robie were called in and took one each of the out-of-towners by the ear and led them out to the horse-shed, ordered them to board their carriage and depart. Owing to the young ruffs being very highly connected, their names are withheld. Several pint bottles filled and some empty were seized by the two officials. Quiet being reinstated, the dance went smoothly on closing by McDonalds' Reel and Devil's Dream at 4 o'clock a.m., when all departed for their homes in good humor and smiling, happy faces. Music, Union String Band.



Stacy Richardson and Shayla Coleman, Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996



Lake Sunapee Home Care and Hospice

Lake Sunapee Community Health Services

Services provided to people in Springfield

Home health care helps patients return to their optimal level of health

Visits made 1,696

Patients served 27

Flu and other immunizations

Patients served 43

Well child clinic and parent child program

Children served 24

Day care - after school and summer child care

Children served 5

In late 1996, Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association finalized a strategic pathway to the future — we joined an integrated health care delivery system, Capital Region Health Care Corporation in Concord, NH. We created this pathway by affiliating with the New London Hospital Association. The future development of our new partnership and our innovative, high quality programs will support the VNAs mission to improve the health of the community and provide quality, cost-effective care to individuals and families in community settings.

Five VNA employees; one VNA Trustee, William Donegan, and many volunteers live in Springfield. We depend heavily on the selfless support of volunteers and employees who contribute hours to the success of our programs. For them and our Trustees, we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Blik
President and CEO



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – 1996

During 1996 the Zoning Board of Adjustment granted two variances and special exceptions for Metric Motors and Bryan O'Day.

Most of our activity this year centered around the proposed septage spreading project on Philbrick Hill. As a result of our denial of the appeal, we are now scheduled for court in the spring of 1997. We have worked hard on this issue and appreciate all the support from the citizens of Springfield.

We recommended to the Planning board that the Zoning Ordinance be amended to include a section on septage and sludge. You will be voting on this amendment this year. We feel that is a positive addition to the ordinance.

The Board meets on the first Wednesday of each month. We welcome your attendance and participation.

Gary Robinson
Chairman



Joshua Kershaw and Joshua O'Day, Springfield Kindergarten 1995-1996

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Father's Name	Mother's Name
04-29-96	New London, NH	Alexander Charles Gallup	Charles Anthony Gallup	Christine Marie Gallup
05-13-96	Lebanon, NH	Jossie Lee Howlett	Timothy Lee Howlett	Penny Jane Howlett
08-31-96	Lebanon, NH	Lena Catherine Myers	Phillip Adam Myers	Jennifer Laura Myers
09-26-96	New London, NH	Steven Robert Carpenter	Lawrence Earl Carpenter	Susan Donna Carpenter
10-29-96	Lebanon, NH	Brittney Lynn Wallace	Richard Bryan Wallace	Kelly Lynn Wallace
11-30-96	New London, NH	Alton James Petteys Rorick	Alton James Rorick	Laura Ann Rorick
12-02-96	New London, NH	Samuel Albert Cross	Leonard Calvin Cross	Jo Ann Cross

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Cynthia C. Anderson, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mothers Name
01-12-95	Minnie Ellen Dyke	New London, NH	George Parker	Helen Harvey
05-20-96	Hazel Marice Patten	New London, NH	Wilbur Little	Hattie Perry
08-19-96	Mildred Adams Downey	Springfield, NH	Samuel Adams	Lida Hollister
10-25-96	Richard S. Kidder	Bonita Shores, FL	Henry Kidder	Bertha Stacey
12-28-96	Clifford Everett Swenson	Springfield, NH	Samuel Swenson	Clara Swanson

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1996

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
04-18-96	Robert G. Fadden	Springfield, NH	Marie R. Devoid	Springfield, NH
06-01-96	David Carnevale	Springfield, NH	Shannon M. Abair	Springfield, NH
07-20-96	Wesley W. Charles	Springfield, NH	Julie G. Gould	Springfield, NH
08-17-96	Frank J. Drop	Springfield, NH	Marcia R. Boutin	Springfield, NH
08-24-96	Robert S. McLennand	Springfield, NH	Margaret J. Mills	New London, NH
08-31-96	Jason C. Ruggles	Springfield, NH	Amber L. Slayton	Springfield, NH
11-24-96	Alan J. Brock	Springfield, NH	Denise A. Marshall	Springfield, NH

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